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How low will Sae go? Not only is she a copycat and a leech, she's quickly turning everyone against Momo to make herself look good!! Throw the school playboy Kiley into the mix, and Momo's world will never be the same! Will she ever get to be with the boy of her dreams? The backstabbing never ends—with a friend like Sae, Momo has more than her fair share of enemies!

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No!

Stop!

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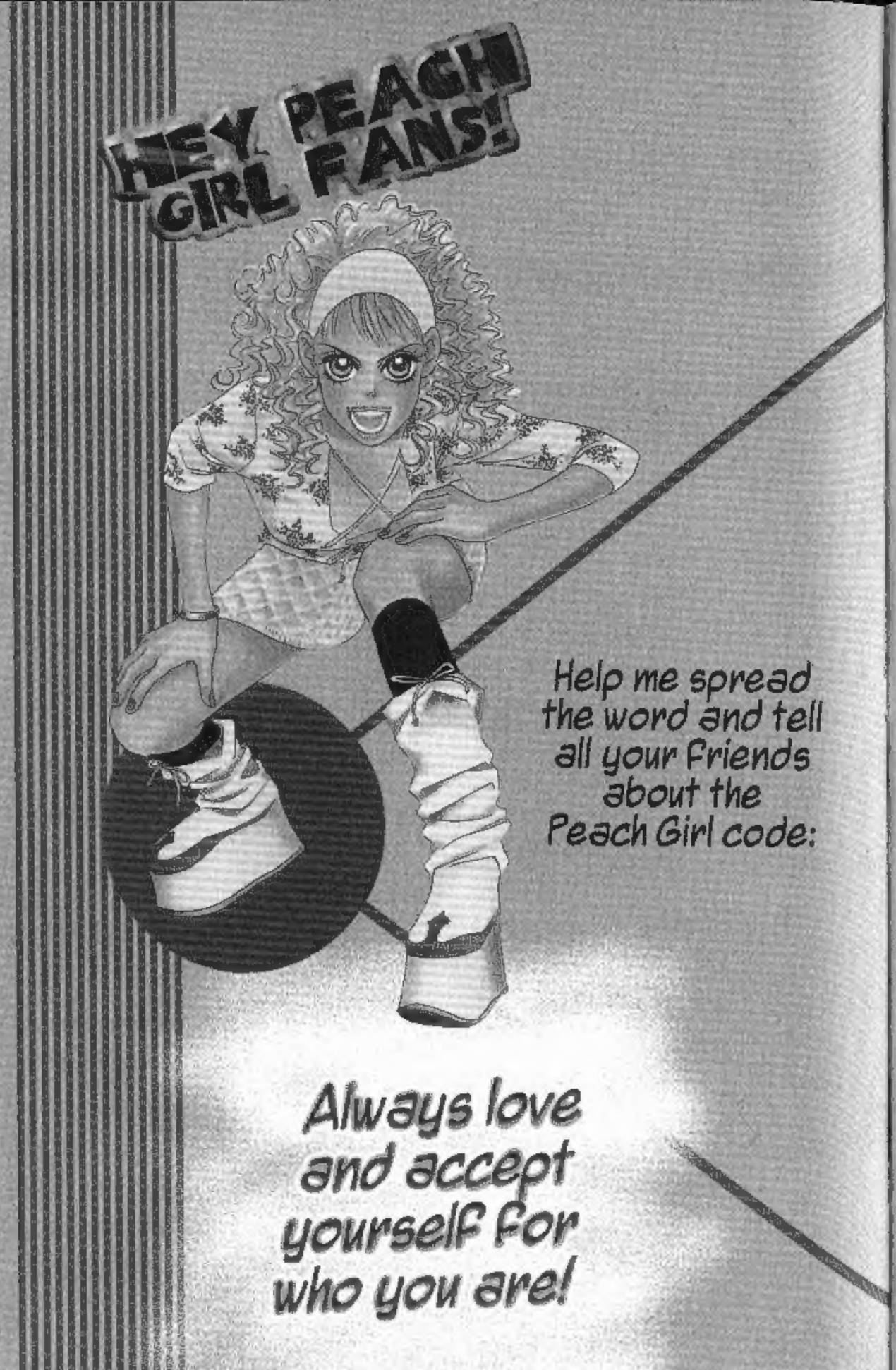
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Always love and accept yourself for who you are!

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ガラッ!!

"He's just so horny. He obviously told you he liked you so you'd do it with him."

No!

It can't be!

Toji!

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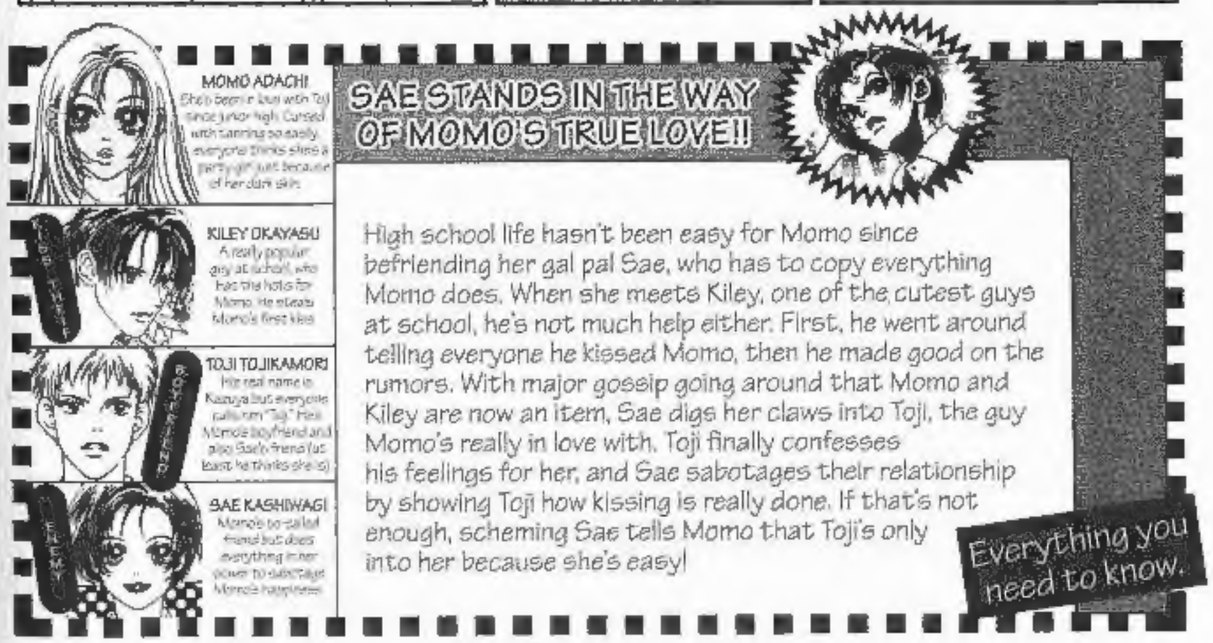
MOMO ADACHI
She's been in love with Toji since junior high. Cursed with tanning so easily, everyone thinks she's a party girl just because of her dark skin.
KILEY OKAYASU
A really popular guy at school, who has the hots for Momo. He steals Momo's first kiss.
TOJI TOJIKAMORI
His real name is Kazuya but everyone calls him "Toji." He's Momo's boyfriend and also Sae's friend (at least he thinks she is).
SAE KASHIWAGI
Momo's so-called friend but does everything in her power to ruin Toji and Momo's happiness.
SAE STANDS IN THE WAY OF MOMO'S TRUE LOVE!!
High school life hasn't been easy for Momo since befriending her gal pal Sae, who has to copy everything Momo does. When she meets Kiley, one of the cutest guys at school, he's not much help either. First, he went around telling everyone he kissed Momo, then he made good on the rumors. With major gossip going around that Momo and Kiley are now an item, Sae digs her claws into Toji, the guy Momo's really in love with. Toji finally confesses his feelings for her, and Sae sabotages their relationship by showing Toji how kissing is really done. If that's not enough, scheming Sae tells Momo that Toji's only into her because she's easy!
Everything you need to know.

Toji!
♡
Hey!
La dee da dee da
I said hello!
What's your problem?!
And where's Momo?
Toji, wait up!
What's wrong?
Look, Momo's bag. She forgot it.
Hey, Toji.
?!
Hey, Momo!
There she is.
Is he bummed or something?
I just saw Toji running away.
sob
sniff
sniff
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Look out!

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It's no good.

.....

What do you mean?

You broke up?

I tried... but I can't.

Now she hates me for sure.

フラ フラ

ガシャン

Momo, the light was red. You okay?

Yeah.

I'm sorry.

Phew!

ゴオオ・・・

But in the exact place he was kissing Sae this morning?!

I know I was.

I don't get you. Most people would be stoked to be kissed by someone they like.

...in any way!

I don't want to be like Sae...

I am not stoked!

How could Toji do that to me?

Forgetting my feelings...

Grabbing my arm...

What? I was bad?

...almost as bad as Kiley the pervert!

He was...

Um, I guess...

I'm sorry. Are you all right?

You need to watch where you're going!

.....

Yeah, but you've already crashed into three cars, the dump truck and two bikes.

I said I'm fine!

That's it. I'm walking you home.

Plus slamming into four poles.

...getting kissed by Toji?

Was it that bad...

.....

The important thing isn't how he feels, it's how *you* feel.

And if he runs away, then he's a dog, so forget him.

Look, all guys want some action from girls.

If you're not ready for that, just tell him.

Am I right?

But you still got the power to decide what kind of relationship you want.

It was like he was somebody else, not... Toji.

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I thought he saw the real me.

That's why she's so tanned.

She's on the swim team.

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I thought he understood me.

He just assumed I'm that kind of girl.

I guess he's just like everyone else, never seeing past my looks...

He likes your looks. You like him, right?

Yeah? So what's the big deal?

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Well, just a little bit.

Maybe I should rethink how I see him.

"He likes your looks. You like him, right?"

.....

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I can't forget what I am to him.

But simple curiosity is as far as it goes with Kiley.

...it's not like he's hideous.

I admit that I am a little curious about what goes on in that cute head.

I mean...

Darn! I forgot my underwear.

Oh well, I can change upstairs.

チャポーン

"The important thing isn't how he feels, it's how you feel."

ちんちん

I wonder if he just said that to comfort me or if he really meant it.

Of course. I let him walk me home and he turned back into the little weasel he always is.

...even pervs can have moments of wisdom.

It's amazing...

Hey, look at me, I'm a pervert!

ちんちん

Why doesn't the owner take him for a walk?

Stupid neighbor's dog.

.....

ちんちん

Plus, if Kiley wasn't around, I'd have no one to punch when I'm mad!

Is that all I am? A punching bag?

He helped me this morning and he listens to me gripe.

But now that I think about it, Kiley does get me out of trouble a lot.

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What the hel?

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うさや

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Blushing slightly

Toji?!

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Crazy dog What s he bark ng at?

カリカリ

Oh:

He saw me.

見られた 見られた 絶対 見られた

What is Toji doing in front of my house?!

But why?!

カ

You seem happier with him than you do with me

...when I saw you talking to Kiley, I got kind of upset.

It's just...

Sorry?

So I.

I thought you were supposed to be my girl friend

I'm sorry Momo

You came all this way just to tell me that?

Oh Toji.

So...

...um, why are you here?

気まず

very awkward moment

So..

I thought I'd stop by

I, uh... I happened to be in the area...

That means he hasn't been home.

Look at him..

He's still in his school clothes

I just wanted to say..

..sorry about today

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As long as it's him

But even if he didn't

Did you say something?

as long as it's him.

How terribly sweet!!

.....

How awful

I was afraid you wouldn't hear me out but you did

Better?...

Well, now I feel better

That's okay. I'm cool.

I'll walk with you a bit if you want.

Sure. tomorrow.

See you tomorrow.

I'll see you

Okay

What am I saying? I'm freaking out!

I wanted to thought.

?

He's thinking about me

He cares about me

I was wrong

Toji isn't just looking to fool around.

Was she trying to tell me to...? No, no way!

But Toji doesn't understand

What's the deal with that condom?

Hey, Sae. Good morning.

What's wrong?

Are you crying?

Sae?

Hun?

I changed back into school clothes

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should've worn something better

Oh, Toji

Toj, wait

Well

See you tomorrow

What's important is the way I feel.

Just so you know, you won't be needing this.

I should give this back to you.

Now that I've told him, he understand.

??!!

.....?

Yeah, see you.

I mean I did it for her But we wound up fighting over it.

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What?

Momo called me names.

Hr...

Our kiss... She said she hates me.

She saw us yesterday

What am I going to do?

You're kidding me?

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You're bruised How'd that happen?

Why don't we go outside?

Momo, wait a minute.

I don't have a minute. Come here!

We need to talk!

Guess I'm just clumsy

You fell down? How do you fall down and bruise your face?

I fell down

Oh uh this? It's nothing

.....

It's nothing, Toji. Don't worry about it.

?!

Morning!

I don't want you talking to Sae

What was she telling you? Something about me, I bet.

Well, not really

Whatever she says, you can't believe a word of it!

Hey, Toji!

Nothing's changed.

Same old Sae

?!

Seeing each other?

You and Sae aren't seeing each other behind my back, are you?

She knows that I kissed Sae.

Sae's just a friend

I'm with you. You're my girlfriend.

Momo no

Just thought I'd ask.

Okay. Forget it.

But should I blame him? Isn't he just a victim of Sae's lies?

Why would you think something like that?

Pummmaps.

That kiss

wear smiles better than crying anyway

So I don't want you to listen to her. In fact, don't even look at her

...none of it is true!

Trust me. I know her. She's going to tell you a lot of stuff about me, but..

Understand?

Momo what's the big deal?

She's...

My friend?

She's your friend, isn't she?

I guess...

there's just one last thing I need to ask you.

What a total joke

Yeah right.

What are you talking about, Sae?

Toji's not as secretive as you

No way!

!!

I also know that he tried to kiss you yesterday

He wouldn't go to Sae!

He's really a warm, open guy.

After you ran away from him, he came to me for advice

Guys, we're supposed to be cleaning.

Hey, knock it off!

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!

Toji was at your house yesterday, wasn't he?

Everything. I'm the one who told him to go.

What do you know about it?

?!

Momo, sweetie, why wouldn't you let Toji kiss you?

...

You should get over it and try 'em.

His lips are a lot softer than you'd think

!

!!

Ahhhhh!

ガタタ

I'm trying to clean. You're in the way

PEACH CLUB!!

Say cheese!

Thanks for coming back for Volume 2, and thanks for all the nice cards and letters. Of course, a lot of them weren't so nice. Many of you were mad that the first book ended with Sae having the upper hand. Sorry about that. You might feel the same way about this volume, but stick with Momo! She just may win in the end. --Mawa

I told him to go to you

...as long as he does what I tell him

I like to see him work his issues out.

If I stop trusting Toji, I'm playing right into her hands.

No, don't listen

It's a trap

But I can't resist...

I can't help but think that.

Why did he have to tell Sae yesterday?

But

Toji
!

Here.
Lean
aga.nst
me

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It
m.ght be
sprained

ざわ

..et s
get you
to the
nurse's
office

Can
you
walk?

ざわ

Are
you al
right,
Sae?

Sae!

I I
guess

On t
hurts

Are
you
okay?

What's
wrong
with
you,
Momo?

Oh no.

She's faking!
I naraly
touched her!

She
got me!
I et my
guard
down
for one
second

That tramp
made me look
I ke the bad
guy!

I don't
be..eve
it.

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??!!

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The foot that's supposed to be sprained

That...

I want to talk to you!

Help! Help!

Wait up

Sae

...evil little bitch

What?

Hey Sae

About that bruise on your cheek

"I don't want you talking to Sae"

.....

Hehheh.

Nothing Forget it.

.....

I have my own ideas, you know!

Yes you are.

I'm not like that!

Yes! All the time!

What does that mean? I only want what you want?

Leave him alone! Hear me?

Momo? What's wrong with you?

You're hurting me.

Everything about you is a lie, you two-face!

Your big snow falling down in front of Toji

Stop this! Right now

Don't be leve her! She'll do anything to get her way!

Don't take her side, Toji!

Momo, let her go!

You just want him because I do!

You know you don't even like Toji!

Just cut it out, Sae. Back off for one minute!

!

...I'm shocked You think I'm that terrible?

Momo...

Toji...?

Stop talking like that.

You don't know how manipulative she really is

Please don't back her up, Toji

Cut her some slack. No one's that bad

...she did it on purpose?

She gets hurt and you assume

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She's a good friend to you

All Sae's ever said about you are good things

You shouldn't be that hard on your friends.

You're mad because you saw me kissing Sae, right?

Well stop. If you want to blame someone blame me.

You

You're putting this all on Sae. Look, it was just a misunderstanding

Toji, why are you protecting her?

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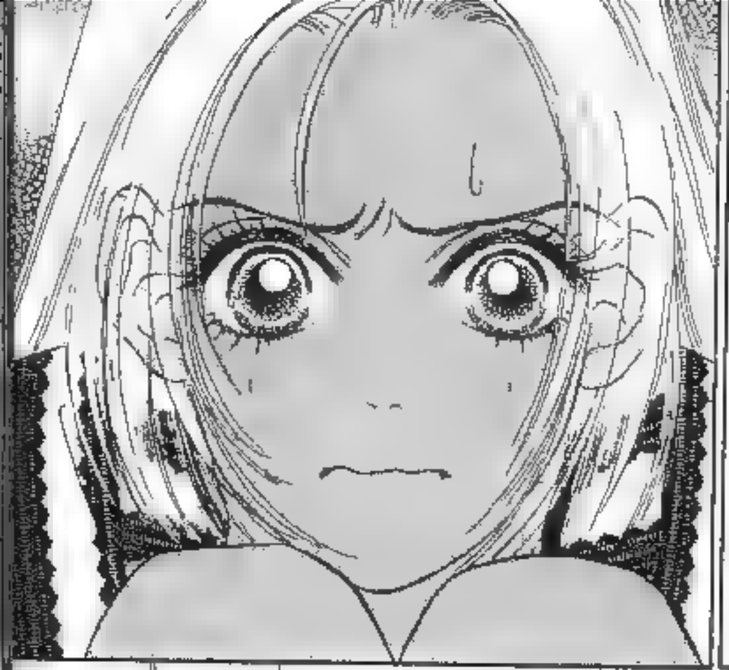

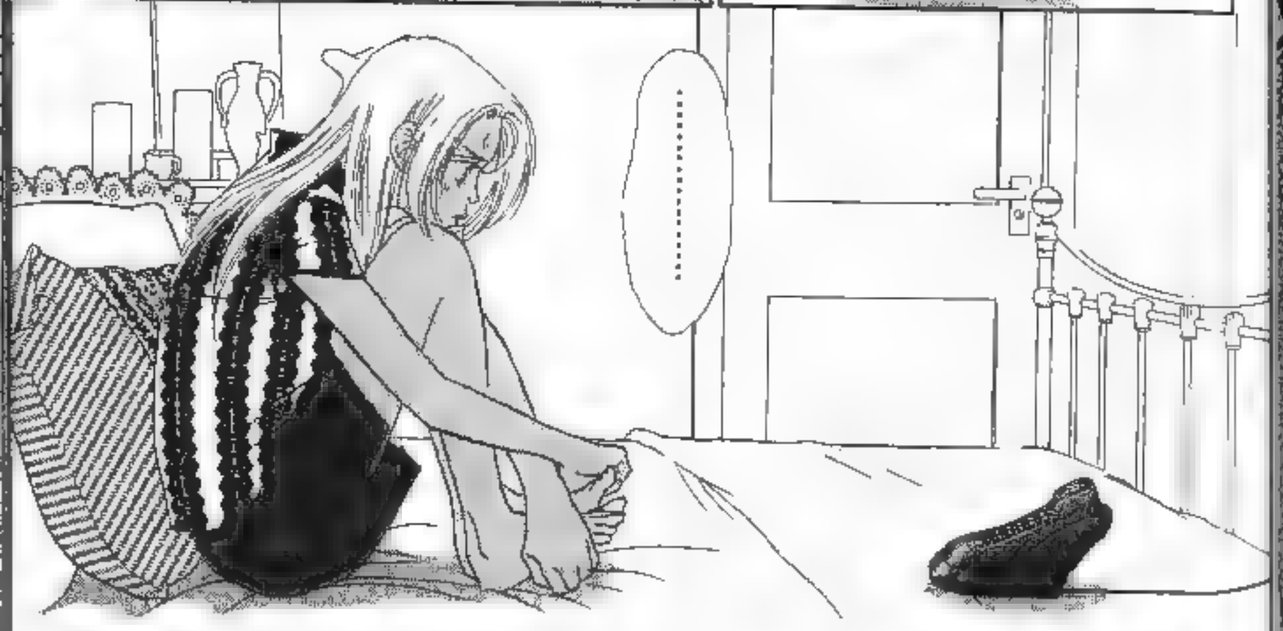

Momo, you've got her all wrong

PEACH CLUB!!

Reader Questions Answered!

Q. I'm confused about Toji's real name. Is it Tojimori? Or Tojigamori?

A: Actually, it's neither. The correct pronunciation of his last name is "Tojikamori." Both unusual and a mouthful! That's partly why everyone just calls him "Toji."

She lies

I tried to tell you! She totally lies!

Why do you believe what Sae tells you?

Toji, you moron!

You dumb, dumb...

You dumb, dumb...

You dumb..

When I tell you something, why don't you believe me?!

"I don't want you talking to her."

"I'm trying to clean. You're in the way!"

"Leave him alone. Hear me?"

...blockhead!

"All she's ever said about you are good things."

"You shouldn't be that hard on your friends."

"You've got her all wrong."

Do we have any stomach medicine?

Urgn... Mom!

It's the only way I can get him to understand.

Hello? Yes, this is his mother.

Who?

I told you about that junk food, Toji

Hold on, I've got something right here.

Momo Adachi.

...a girl

Sae cuts me down and Toji just thinks I'm some spoiled child.

I...just can't stand it!

Was I born under a dark cloud or something?

Anyway look at it, I just can't believe this is happening

そんなのやだ

That's it. I'm going to tell him everything every piece of information know about Sae

...but I need to free him from Sae's brainwashing

I don't want to bother him

She in a bad mood?

Uh oh.

Hello?

Understand what I'm saying? Sae always does stuff like that.

...she went back for the bag she told me not to buy

And so then..

And guys are just like the bag She wants whoever I want.

So when she asked me who I liked, I didn't tell her.

Momo, please.

But then she found out...

.....

I just want you to know that I wasn't trying to do anything behind your back

I'm just not in the mood to listen to you trash talk Sae right now

!

If I were you, I'd be mad too

I can see why you're mad. You have a right to be

You don't understand It may sound like I'm just bad-mouthing her. But hear me through

Look, I'm sorry about kissing her, okay?

No To, Wait

It's all right. I under-stand. Talk to you later

But the thing I wanted you to understand is,

Well that's not really true. I'm a little mad

No To, please listen I'm not mad about the kiss

Momo What are yo doing? Wake up

You're going to be late for school!

All right, fine. Lie there I've got to go to work

Just don t scream at me ater that I didn't wake you up

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Okay, all present except Momo and Toji.

Let's get down to work

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Oh, right forgot

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I can't let this happen. I've got to be at school before Sae gets the better of me.

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ガバッ!!!

I can't believe it. That's the second time I've overslept

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ガヤ ガヤ

Too late

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!

He's in the hospital with appendicitis

got word from Toji's parents this morning that he won't be coming

.....

If anyone's planning on seeing him, I'd appreciate it if you took him your notes so he can study.

No way

Is this for real?

バタ バタ バタ

Charity begins at home

He devoted his entire fortune to aid.

What's this?

A note.

Read it and pass it on

Here.

You people never saw someone come late before?

Something fishy

What's going on?

At once all talk at once as I walk in the room

Oh.

Absent
Momo Toji

Cleaning Duty
Taneka Haruki

Where's he?

Wonder why he's not here

Hmm.

I'll give him a call when I get home

But remember yesterday?

Did he catch a cold or something?

Remember this is going to be on the test

Uh oh.

They're still staring. Got to act normal.

You sleaze

There she is.

Grrrr!

?!

I told you.

Yean.
It hurt so bad.
It n.t me just before dinner
So when d d the pa n start? You looked a right yesterday
..asked Momo to come out.
We ...
Are you here by yourse f?
..h. Sae.
I'll just stack these n some water
No problem t s cool
Well, was just wondering
never m nd
Well, maybe I shouldn t ask it right now. You just had an operation and all.
No go anead.
What?
guess.
Hey, To can ask you someth ng?

Now what d d I do?
Come in.
Mr. Yamad
Mr. Frank
Mr. Tojika
What is all tn s?
Sae.
Hey, To.
Everyone says hi. Oh yean, these are today s notes from class
Thanks.
I m fine
D d they operate? Are you okay?
We were all rea sad to hear you were in the hosp tal

But I was really hurting and . couldn't ta.k long

th'nk I probably cut her off I wanted to apo.og ze

Momo called me yesterday.

A mes.a.

Do you tnink you cou d te her for me?

Tell Momo m sorry

Were you nervous when they, you know, shaved you?

Leaving so soon?

We l, got to go now See you

Sae!

Sorry, sorry

Snouldn't have asked

And nurry back to scnool. You don't want to upset Momo

Sae could you deliver a message?

.....

Now if there s noth ng e se you need

.....

.eave everyth ng to me

Sure, Toj.

But we haven't talked since then. And now I'm calling him again. He might think I'm being too pushy.

"I'm not in the mood to listen to you trash talk Sae right now."

I won't talk about Sae. I just want to know why he's not in school.

Should ? Why not?

What are you guys doing?

Me next! There's room. You're taking up too much space.

That pen's a good color. Can I use it?

Hurry up. I'm next.

Yeah, don't want to be late!

Who, us? Uh, nothing. Oops, time to go.

...my blue bruise blues. ♫

Had the blues.

Then I had a bruise.

It's time to lose.

but now

On top of everything else she's a little out.

Absent Toji

Absent two days in a row. That sounds serious.

I knew I should have called him.

Good morning.

You're late.

For what?

I'm sorry, Toji.

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It's because of me that you two aren't getting a ong

Then maybe she'd come see you.

...with you anymore.

Maybe shouldn't be friends.

.....

Wait Sae!

Sae

Goodbye, Toj it's for the best

Hey I brought you a get-we l card. Everyone s gned it.

.....

Ouch.

Cool That idiot, noue Ha ha!

Now I only hurts when laugh

I don't see her name anywnere

Hurry back! FIGHT!

GET WELL SOON -- MAYU

Be strong!

Does this mean dow you'll stop bare ad? Inoue

Better get better You still owe me money -ken

What about Momo?

.....

asked her again to come with me but

What does that mean?

Heh hen . see

Oh not ning

Don't know, but tne name "Sae" comes to mina

So who do you think did it?

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You're just ike Toji He thinks she s my friend and should trust her It makes me so mad

Yeah Toji s a straight shooter

Speak ng of how s he do n'?

Don't you two hang out at unch?

He hasn't been to schoo for three days

He s got a cold or something.

You shou d try ca ling his parents work

I did. They're away on bus ness.

That s we rd

asked his friends if they knew anyth ng but they said no

Maybe he went to v s t relat ves or some- tning w th his family

A grand parent could be sick

But it's strange When I ca his house nobody s there.

Yo, Momo!

Hey, it s Momo.

あ

-my chocolate bread!

I love, love, love...

Hey, Momo, what are you doing?

What does it ook ike?

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キュッ

know something s up.

Peop e have been gigg ng beh nd my back a l day

?

would never write something so obscene

Whoa! That s d.rty!

They're my shoes! I'm cross.ng out tnis crap tnat someone else wrote.

It looks ike you re writing on the back of those shoes w th a marker

But when I turn around, no one says anything.

It's like everyone's talking about me behind my back.

And the way the rest of the class treats me is also weird

You see? High school is rough.

Well, I wouldn't say picking on me.

When people pick on you, they at least acknowledge you.

That sucks! People are picking on you?

Yeah right. Then I'd never be able to get rid of you.

!

The bell!

The bell!

キーンコーン

Oof! Oh Aannn

ガバッ

Maybe during the next break you can come visit me. I've always got time for Momo!

Gosh, I really don't want to go back to class

Yeah better

How's that? Al right?

ぽたっ

Okay

A lot better

.....

.....

But you're so soft.

Get off Kiley!

What if someone sees us? The rumors would start a over aga'n

Just give me one more sec.

Let go of me, you damn perv!

No matter what a little pervert you are, I wouldn't try to hurt you.

Don't say that

Come on Try to stand up

At east f I were dead t wou dn't nurt so bad

Al right You can et go now

ドキッ!!

.....

Really? It felt l.ke you tr ed to push me down the stairs

I'm sorry The .nk on my shoes... made me slip!

Momo, if you're try.ng to ki.l me, can't you find an easier way?

Are you a l r gnt?!

Ki ley?

Ki ley?

Ki ley!

!

Toji!

ボスッ

Omiaca!
No way!

Uh! oh.

Don't just stand there Take a seat

What are you talking about? No problem

What's wrong?

Sae?

.....

Just ..

I don't understand her! How could she do this?

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On

It's you, Sae.

I know I promised I wouldn't come anymore, but.

I'm sorry

She's trash She goes after other girls' boyfriends.

You can't. Not Momo.

What if I do?

Come on, Kiley. You don't really like her

Sae's guy? What guy?

What best friend? Who?

Sae Kashiwagi

Toji. Who else?

Can you believe it?!

That little slut uses all kinds of tricks. She even seduced her best friend's guy

No way Really?

Do what?

Momo and Kiley?!

They were kissing in the hallway!

Tomorrow it'll be the talk of the school

After everyone saw you groping me that'll be about us kissing will never go away

Momo

You don't understand Toji is in the hospital for appendicitis

Of course.

Who told you this?

And that guy is Toji?

Hold on just a second. You're saying that Momo used all these evil tricks to seduce Sae's boyfriend.

Everyone knows.

A girl

Hey, Momo!

!!

No kidding. Stay away from me.

You've caused me enough stress.

Momo! We've got trouble! There are tons of rumors!

I don't understand her

I don't know. This is too much.

And while you're in the hospital!

I'm so sorry I don't know how she could do this to you.

Momo?

And Kiley?

But I figured I should tell you before you hear it from someone else.

I'm sorry

I hate bringing you down while you're still recovering.

It can't be true.

Momo?

And Kiley?

Ack!

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Momo? Calm down It's me Momo

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That little lying whore!

Toji has appendicitis.

The homeroom teacher told the class three days ago.

So Sae passed around a note in class

Poor Toji's in the hospital!

That was the day I was late.

Three days ago?

Please don't need
let my To! ner going down
heal in peace there and
gett ng him
al. exc.ted wh e
he's trying
to recover

Everyone, please don't let Momo know that Toji's in the hospital

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That no good evil—

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You see?

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Momo, please!

You're going too fast!

Shut up!

Anymore lip out of you and I'll yank your tongue out.

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Aahhhh!

Slow down!

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My poor hip bones!

Oww!

This is war! That little tramp has turned the whole class against me.

Toji's in the hospital and I'm the only one who doesn't know!

PEACH CLUB

More Reader Questions!

Q: Is *Peach Girl* based on the true life experiences of author Miwa Ueda?

A: No. It's certainly not an honest account of my high school days. Although back then, there was a girl similar to Sae. But I never had all the romantic problems that poor Momo encounters. I said before that Momo was the closest thing to a humorous self-portrait that I'd ever done. So many of you started believing I had the same kind of character and style. Sorry to disappoint you, but I'm actually pretty different. Okay, bye! -Miwa

This time you're not getting away with it.

Just you wait Sae!

Aaaahhhh!!!!

The more I think about it, the madder I get. The look on her face when she saw us in the hallway...

I have a pretty good idea what Sae's already told him.

And this is your fault too! When we get there, you're going to explain it to Toji, understand?

This isn't fair. This is my bike!

Come on, Momo. You can trust me!

It's the only way I can trust you not to touch what you're not supposed to.

But why did you have to tie me up?

Okay! I'll fix it.

I just can't forgive her
I don't want to be her friend anymore.

It's just me, but I really don't like people who play games.

I'm not trying to say you have to break up with her.

Oh I'm sorry Toji

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Is the conductor asleep or what?!

...stupid train?

What's wrong with this...

I thought it was strange when you first told me

I was wondering why Momo needed to keep your relationship a secret.

Now I guess we know.

She wanted to keep Key on the sidelines.

...but I never knew Momo was like that.

Momo's a friend and I don't want to bad mouth her..

Momo please! Can't we at least sit?!

I know you're pissed, but pacing back and forth isn't going to get us there any faster.

Stop telling me crap I already know.

Young people these days.

It kills me that at this very moment Sae and Toji are alone—with Toji in bed

How can I relax?!

Open wide!

How did you and Sae become friends in the first place?

You know, I've been wondering.

We didn't become friends

We were never friends. Sae just latched onto me.

She latched onto you?

We hung out a lot

At first believed we were friends

Well

But then just before school started got the measles and was absent my first week

A whole week?

By the time I got registered.

...everyone had their own little clique

I didn't have one so the the one thing I was happy about was being in the same class as Toji

Not that I ever had the nerve to talk to him

Shut up about the eraser!

did like it though

Let it go, honey

It's an eraser.

You just made me remember! She still hasn't given back that eraser!

Wa t!

Bummer Your fate was sealed from the day you took the entrance exam

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I could just hear him say he still likes me.

Sae might have already brainwashed him

I'm not even the same to anymore

I wonder if...

Of course, it's Sae who told me that, so I don't know how much of it was ever true

Some even thought I missed the first week because I was having a baby

And then there were all those people who assumed I was a party girl because of my dark tan

Then

"Momo? Are you busy?"

I was so hurt and lonely

Why didn't she have other friends? There was something about her.

I should have known from the start.

"You lent me your eraser when we took the entrance exam."

"I don't know if you remember me. I'm Sae."

I like your hair pin!

I was so happy to finally find a friend

Just once, if he said it..

Don't worry

I'll clean it up.

Here. Wipe yourself off.

Oh Tao, are you all right?

I guess it slipped.

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Um, what?

You're lucky to have such a nice girlfriend.

You don't understand. She's not my

S Sure m fine

Sae? Are you all right?

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I hate to admit it, but right now you're my only friend

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I'm your bud Lean on my shoulder!

It's okay, Momo.

Quit it!

You're all embarrassing me

I shouldn't have said anything.

Will you stop that?!

Oh Momo that's so sweet

You know, Toji, you're going to have to change out of that anyway. Why don't I just wash it for you?

No, that's cool

.....

Admissions

The elevator's to your right

Mr. Tojikamori. He's in room 406

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I wouldn't be able to see him until he checked out.

If I hadn't found out from you...

It's true.

Scary! Old Toji is in a real hospital.

Telling me about Toji

Thank you, Kiley.

For what?

Oops!

No, those aren't. Those are my clothes.

Those are clean pajamas under that pillow, right?

Come on don't be a baby

Did I get you where they operated?

It's all right

I'm sorry

Oh Toji

Oh sort of

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What kind of person are you?!

You!

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Sae!

You are so sleazy!

How could you do this to me?

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Aaahhh!!

Don't you think Sae's timing is pretty convenient?!

The exact moment I walked in?

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That liar!

You pathetic backstabber!!

Before you go on again about her, what about you...

It's obvious! She slipped on purpose Just at the right moment!

Me? Who? What?

..and him?! What's he doing here?

Just having some tea It was free

I'm looking out for Momo's interests. Call me her lawyer

That's all that happened.

Listen, I spilled some tea and Sae tripped while trying to help me clean it up

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Toji

I fell and Momo was helping me up

Yet another misunderstanding

Now about the matter of Momo and kissing in the hallway

Aye, aye, ma'am

Okay!

You two took advantage of Toji's illness to make out while he was away!

Lies!

Lies!

Good. Now we can hear ourselves talk

Hey! Let go of me! What are you doing?

Where are you taking me?

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I mean, when you think about it, we're all in an unusual position.

My client's concerned that certain accounts may be misrepresented.

We've all heard Sae's version of the events.

If you're going to do this, do it right!

I just found out you were here

I'm sorry. I didn't come sooner, Toji.

Some hellos are in order.

First, it's been a while since Toji and Momo have seen each other.

She didn't know about Toji until today

My client speaks the truth.

You lying—

Sae!

Ha! That's a good one!

Hold on

Maybe you picked him up when he fell, but you don't really think it was an accident?

Could it be because you like him too?

Lead him on?

If there was a misunderstanding you wanted to clear up, you could've come here alone.

You didn't have to bring him!

Sae's always falling into your arms!

That's what I'm supposed to be saying to you!

That's because she's a nice girl. You've got her so wrong

You take Sae's word over mine all the time!

Oh yeah? Would you have listened to me if I came here by myself? Would you have believed me?

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Let me go! Take your hands off me! Oh freak

You and Kiley seem to be getting along.

So, where was I?

Is that who you talk to when I'm not around?

Well

You know he likes you. Why do you lead him on when you know he likes you?

When I bump into him, yeah, we chat

Maybe just a little. Not much

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Momo! What are you doing?!

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There's nothing in it for her?!

So Sae has nothing to gain by lying?!

No, you got her so wrong

How come you don't listen to me, but whatever Sae says...

...Is the holy truth!

What the hell does she gain by tricking me?

Why would she lie? What's in it for her?

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So that's it?

You just won't believe me? No matter what?

I want you to open your ears and hear what I'm saying!

I want you to listen

ke that time when we first had tea togetner

You're on the fourth floor. You could get hurt!

Young lady, please!

I'm already hurt!

Then I'll be here to talk to Toj whether he wants to .isten to me or not!

This is a hospita: f I break a leg, the doctors can fix it!

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Sae's got something huge to gain! You!

You are so wrong, Toj!

My life sucks!

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I don't care!

Get down! It's dangerous!

You're the most important thing to me!

No matter what I do, you won't bel eve me!

Say you'll listen to all I have to say about Sae

Just say you'll never near me out.

Promise me, Toji

That's enough Get away from that window

I'll listen. Now get down.

Okay, I promise.

I'll listen to the end

Yes! Momo, please!

From start to finish

To everything!

Sure Momo Just...

.....

She's my sweetie.

I do what she tells me.

If you pull me away from Toji, you're just going to lose her

What's wrong with you? You like Momo, don't you?

Will you let go?. Where are you taking me?

Huh?

See there You've got a perfect view of Toji's room.

All right, we're here

Momo! What the hell are you doing?!?!

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Huh?

Aaaaaahhhh!
Momo!

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Look out!

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Aaaahhhhh!

Ohhn,
Toj

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……?!

I want Toj.

You want Momo

Not like that. I mean we both have the same goal, right?

Don't you think our chances are better if we work together?

Uh, guess.

It was only a plant, fraiday cat.

Yeah, I guess they will All right, Momo!

Yay Momo!

Can I point out something? If things continue like this, Toji and Momo are going to get back together

If that wind had only been a little stronger.

Huh?

Listen, Romeo. Why don't we team up?

Same to you, beautiful

?

a a something amazing, if I do say so myself

A long way down

One wrong move, and I could've been in real trouble

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That potted plant could've been me

Foolish and yet...

I didn't mean to scare you all

Sorry, everyone

Wish I had a rock to crawl under

Ditto

Pretty good show.

It all worked out in the end.

That's all right

very refreshing breeze ♡

PEACH CLUB

Still More Reader Questions!

Q: I'm confused. Who does Sae really like?
A: The person Sae likes the most is Sae. She hasn't found a guy yet who she's in love with that's why she's trying so hard to copy Momo

Q: What made you create such a rotten apple as Sae?
A: I like that expression "rotten apple." The thing is, I've known people like Sae, girls who try to sabotage other people's happiness You may not want to spend too much time with her but you might as well be aware that these types actually exist!--Miwa

I was concerned only about myself. I forgot about your stitches.

I'm sorry, Toji. It's my fault.

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You can be pretty silly sometimes, you know that? Now, it hurts when I laugh

Me? If I hadn't done that, you'd never have agreed to listen to me.

I mean, threatening to jump out a window? Talk about stubborn

Toji saved me

It worked out okay.

Such masculine hands

...with his strong arms.

He wrapped them around me and carried me to safety

Oh My gut!

Toji

Your stitching could have opened or something. Better call a nurse

I'll be all right. Just let me lie down

I think I moved too quickly.

Are you okay?

Does it hurt?

You've got a point

But meanwhile back on the roof

...K'ley is taking in all of Sae's schemes.

What do you think?

It's not a bad idea.

Am I right?

We should have been on the same team from the start

I never thought of it before, but you're completely right.

We can both be on the same side

Don't you think? ♡

Let's hear all about you and Sae.

All right I'm ready to listen.

Finally

After all this time

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Finally! It's finally happened!

At last I can get rid of Sae's trashing.

A feta what?

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Huh?"

"Toji"

"Toj Wake up"

t could play out someth ng ke this our setting s To, s hospita room

After everyone else has gone home

Fait accompl Something that's too ate to change because it s already happened

Sae?

"What are you doing here so late?"

Let's roll

Isn t it obvious? We've got to stop them from gett ng back together.

Okay, so now that we're pa red up, what, Lh, do we do?

What can I say? t s true

You're a smart girl. Very in Sae-tghtful

We just need to find that final dea, breaker.

They'll break up with just a little more mind control

Toji only needs one more push and he'll dump Momo for good

It's like.

Let s see..

Wel..

Whoa A "dea breaker" Coo What's a "dea breaker?"

The condition Toji's in, he couldn't get away from me if he wanted to

You get what I'm saying?

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Momo was so close to seeing me and Toji kissing just earlier

I'd take advantage of the situation to stimulate some interest.

"Make" is a bad word

You mean, like, because he's bedridden you'd get on top and make him—

What's my role, Sae? What do you want me to do?

You bring Momo and keep her out of the way until the right time

He's totally dead!

Toji's a goner!

This is too much! What an attack! What a sexy attack!

I hope not totally

"I'm so in love with you I can't stand it. I have to do something about it Right now"

"Sae?

"I love you Toji."

What is this?

"Shhh. Keep your voice down and no one will hear

"Sae, this isn't the place You have to go We're in a hospital."

"No, Sae. you can't Sae..."

Oh Sae

"Oh Toji"

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Hen heh nen

Hee nee nee nee hee

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Ha ha na ha na ha nail

Good boy You're pretty smart yourself

...I escort her in and.. bingo!

When I give you the signa...

Then he and Momo will break up...

...and she'll be yours for the taking.

Tojo's the responsible type.

If I start crying and make him feel like it's his fault, he won't be able to push me away.

It'll be real easy for you to move in and comfort her when her heart's broken

Ho ho ho ho ho ho!

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You're a serious little sneak, aren't you?

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Hun?
Hold on a second
Sorry
I don't know where to begin.
There's so much I want to tell him.
Well, um...
Okay... uh...
Okay. Let's see. First off...
Wel, let's start where I eft off on the phone.
Before you tell me all tnis, there's one th ng I want to get straignt.
Well.
What do you want to know?
Snoot. I want to hurry up and tell him all about Sae.
After that, I'll listen from beginning to end.
What cou d it be?
One thing?
from that naughty mouth
It's amazing how you can keep spewing these underhanded plans...
Ret go, ret go! You're nurring me.
Ouch!
You want me to be your partner in crime?
Well, I'm not doing it.

Even before we got together. I had this feeling...

Sure, she noticed it. But it's something I saw way before Sae pointed it out

That's why I need you to hear me out!

Toji, listen. The reason you think that way is because you've been listening to Sae!

It's not Sae

When I see the two of you together, you look happier than when you're with me. I can tell

What do you mean?

How do you feel about him?

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about you and Kiley

Yeah, I know

Don't even think stupid thoughts like that.

He's an idiot and a pervert and not my type.

Trust me I'll never go for that guy.

Toji no

It's some stuff you told me and some I just saw. But I'm sure he'll take you away

This vibe that someday you're destined to fall for him instead of me

..I got this bad feeling

That time I saw you helping him by the pool..

No, Momo. I didn't say that.

Meaning what? I'm also a moron?

what's happening inside my heart?

Can't you understand

PEACH CLUB!!

Do you know someone like Sae? Do you have a Sae in your life? Send in a letter or illustration and tell me about her. We just might include a section on all the Saes in the world in the next edition.

--Miwa

But when you're with him, you seem so natural, so relaxed

You seem so...alive

And I think that, personality-wise, you're more compatible with him than you are with me.

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You're the only one who gives me butterflies

But my heart didn't respond.

.. he told me he liked me.

When Kiley put his arms around me ..

.....

It only responds to you.

It's been that way since junior high.

The tide's turned. You'l. just have to wait it out

That's tne way .t goes. It's only a matter of time before Momo unlocks your mind

Wny do I nave to give up?

People are free to .ke who they want.

So you're giving up on ner?

Man

..tnis sucks.

Me too.

These old men drive me nuts.

How nice to spend some quiet t me w th Toj after so many diffic t days

Hee hee.

You just want nim because Momo wants him.

True.

But you don't real y Ike h.m, do you?

...to pull back from the guy who's got your girl

Isn't that a contradiction? You're forcing me..

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I did plant that kiss on Momo without even asking.

I should take my own advice

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That always works!

Of course, I paid for that. Got kicked in a very sensitive spot.

It was fake. At first anyway. But I kind of took advantage of it.

Well, yeah

Your "kiss" was mouth-to-mouth resuscitation and the Momo that "kissed" you turned out to be some guy

I thought that rumor was fake.

I see

So you really kissed Momo

Yeah. That was cool.

I've figured you out.

You're a copycat.

Music to my ears

I've seen what happens to guys you don't hate ♡

And you're a creep! I hate you

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I saw him first! You hear me?! I was first!

Whatever you say. Do what you want.

You're clueless! I liked Toji way before Momo even knew him

I'm not going to give up!

If you're going to stay in the game, play by the rules

But don't use underhanded tricks to get him

Ha ha ha ha ha!!

Who changed the meeting place to the cafeteria?

That means she lied

I never told her anything like that! You think with the way I feel about Sae I'd trust her to deliver a message to you?

I waited that whole day by the pool!

I got it I got the deal breaker

Thanks, Kiley. See ya.

See ya evil girl

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Too late. She's already gone

Where are you going?

Wait, Sae

Don't listen to her, Toji! Don't be fooled by her!

But Sae wouldn't play so dirty

Yeah, I hear you

It's no good.

That's what I've been trying to tell you! Sae's been trying to take you away from me

But why would Sae do something like that?

It's like I've been telling you, she's a brilliant liar.

It's going to take some time to break him from Sae's spell

Even though he's quick to judge

Toji's slow to see his own mistakes

Hmm, just a little while ago Sae was...

Nah, it couldn't be

She also has this thing about copying!

Even though you kissed him?

Don't worry Toj. I tola you, there s nothing between me and Kiley

What about Kiley?

You kissed Kiley.

You aa kss him, aian't you?

You don't even need to answer. I already have proof

The real liar isn't me! It s her!

How dare you call me a liar! When you're . an ultra liar!

What do you th nk you're doing barging in here like that?!

You are the liar! You haven't tola the truth about you and Kiley!

You're cal ing me a liar? That's a good one!

A what?

She got me again.

Momo?

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I'm sorry, Momo! I let it slip that—

Oh, guess I'm a little late

Uh.

Momo?

.....

No, Momo, don't tell. You don't have to

How about it?

No, Toji, you don't understand

It was more ke—

asked her, not you!

We l, I

Is t true, Momo?

You kissed him?

t happened before we got together.

I didn't think I needed to tell you.

I'm sorry. To j But didn't le to you.

By the time I realized he was doing it, he kissed me already.

When it happened, there was no time to stop it.

Meaning what? Anything goes as long as it was before we hooked up?

No...

I guess I was right. You like K ey

?!

But when I tried to kiss you, you wouldn't let me.

How could you say there's nothing between you two?

That means..

Why are you pointing fingers?!

You kissed Sae. I haven't said anything about that

Be jealous if you want!

But don't talk like I'm the ho and you're all innocent!

Uh oh. Mama's losing it. She's gone ballistic.

She's gonna explode!

As long as we're asking questions, I'd like to know why you did that?! How come you kissed Sae?!

You can't figure it out? You did it on the same day and in the same place where you kissed Sae!

You don't know why I wouldn't let you kiss me?

No, I don't!

I already told you... I like you

Maybe you don't know.

Oh yeah? What have you two been doing while I've been holed up here?

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That's crazy!

Maybe when he kissed you, you fell in love without realizing it.

Uh hey! Simmer down you guys!

You blockhead, Toji! How can you talk like that?!

You...

Laughing at me?

So I volunteered to show him how. Right, Toji?
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Toji told me he'd never kissed a girl before.
What?!
Toji?
Say it's not true.
You've got to be kidding
You actually kissed that thing...
...to prepare for kissing me?!
You saw it?
You can't deny it
It was a kiss I saw it!
Well, that wasn't really a kiss
It looked like a kiss, but it really wasn't.
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So when he kisses you, Momo.
♡
It was a practice kiss.
What's that supposed to mean? It was but it wasn't?

...and you listened to her?

Sae told you to do it for me.

But I never dreamed she did it by calling it "practice"

I thought Sae had lured Toji away.

Are you a complete fool?!

Our kiss

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On what planet do guys rehearse kissing their girlfriends by practicing with other girls?!

I can't believe you were that big of a moron!

Well, if I'm a moron, you're a liar!

misjudged you!

I thought you had common sense.

I just don't know anymore

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I think its best if we break up

I have no idea what you're thinking

I don't think

...I can do this.

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THE SAES AROUND THE WORLD!

Now Revealed

Here are the results!!

I received about 400 letters in three months

Thanks to everyone who sent angry letters about people who act like Sae I requested in Volume 1

Force others to do her work.

Sticks her nose into things that aren't her business.

Interferes when try to talk to someone I like

Among the less popular ones.

Everyone gets annoyed when people copy them. But it seems like people have a hard time telling their friends who do it.

The way you speak, habits, gestures, pencils, erasers, hair-styles, clothes, art etc

The number one Sae-tanic act was "being copied" as expected

Stealing my friends when I've missed school and then getting shafted by my own friends

It goes on and on.

Rude

mean-spirited,

steals people's stuff.

I got seven letters saying that.

There are no Saes around me!

On the other hand..

There's nobody like that around me.

But then I was relieved to hear that Sae is a combination of a lot of people.

Someone with such an awful personality actually exists...?

What?!! Really?!

I thought.

When I read in Volume 1 that there was a model for Sae.

ANGRY THOUGHTS FROM READERS!

If you've known Momo since junior high, then shouldn't you know she's a good girl?!

I can't take it, Toji! Lately you're more annoying than Sae!

You're patnetic, Toji!

Stop trying to force Sae to kiss you!!

Why don't you believe Momo?!

Believe Momo, not Sae!.

I've lost respect for you!

Stupid!!

It's okay

You should just be with Sae.

If you're going out with Momo then you should stay by her side!!

At first I liked you, Toji But not now I like Kiley better.

I'll be awaiting your thoughts on volume 2.

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Mind your own business!

Sorry, I was just testing to see if he's cheating on you. I did it for you.

When you find out she's calling your boyfriend.

That's her trick!

She needs help with...

She's so cute

But the stupid guys are fooled and act all sweet around her

All es

That's you!

Toji, guess what Momo does when you're not around? She sells her body and goes all the way with anyone who asks her out.

Then break things off with her and she gets really mean. She says to my boyfriend.

I heard that girl sells herself

And thanks to her, my reputation at school was ruined

Me her and my best friend Kako were at close in junior high.

Kiley (actor).

I'm a girl

VICTIM B

know someone who acts like Sae

Sae (actor)

SUPER SAE #2

Let's go

And now #2

Scary

Who goes that far?

The same thing happened to people who became friends with her after me

Wow

This same exact thing happened to me in junior high.

?!?!

Twice!

have a crush on Toji

She would bad mouth him yet a week later

Ewwww!! He's gross!!

Sae was like

Toji (actor)

in high school, liked a guy who was a year older. He was really nice and cool and we were so close.

And then

told her to stop, but she never would. Pulling the same stuff over and over again

She was really annoying when she was around girls, but acted all nice around the boys

Yes, she had the same multiple personality disorder as Sae

But Saes definitely exist.

They really do!

These seven people that don't have a Sae around them are very lucky to have such good friends.

You guys are so blessed. Appreciate the true friends you have!

Is that really true?

When she sees someone happy she wants to make them miserable.

She can't stand when people are happy

Sae (actor only)

There is a person like this around me.

She is definitely a Sae!

VICTIM A

Super Sae #1

Now, let me introduce you to someone who's even worse than Sae from *Peach Girl*. Let's call her Super Sae!

Although she's always insulting the guys behind their back and stealing

just can't relax unless there's $400 in my wallet

she's truly...

...evil!!!

She acts like she needs help and turns into a damsel in distress

She sets her sights on a guy

She goes over to his house

I need to talk

She calls my boyfriend.

Even though she's in high school

FOOL

But in reality she's really easy

volunteers

She's petite with long eyelashes and very feminine—the type guys go for

She's about 5 feet tall only

I'm 5 feet 3 inches tall

Momo (actor only)

I also got three letters confessing that they act just like Sae. But from what I read, I don't think you guys actually act like her. It takes a lot of courage to realize that you are acting immoral and "come out" as a Sae. That's much better than people who don't realize they are hurting others.

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When the truth of Sae and Toji's "practice" kiss is revealed, Momo finally loses it—she's too mad to be heartbroken! Of course, Kiley shows up to shine some light on the situation, and Momo's anger is replaced with tears of...what? Regret? Confusion? Just when she's ready to hide in the shadows forever, Sae sneakily volunteers Momo to compete in the school swim meet, representing their class in every single event! Then Sae enlists some girls to sabotage Momo in the meanest way possible right before the big event. Now Momo is at the breaking point! Lucky for her, Kiley has a plan to help her. Does it involve Toji? Will it work? Find out if Sae keeps the upperhand in *PEACH GIRL*, Volume 3!

Is there any way to avoid fa..ng victim to her again?
Even if we stay away from her she always knows who we're going out with
But the Sae may follow you anywhere
Ha Ha!
You'l have to live your l fe far far away from her
But new guys who become friends with her don't know how she rea ly s
I'm no longer friends with her
That s what they say.
Poor g rl
can't forgive how she'll do anything to steal guys!
Th s Sae even slept with Ka ko s boyfriend
heard she got his number and made him chocolates for Valentine's Day
It looks like Sae is planning to steal this one too.
Kaiko recently got a new boyfriend.
Even got a response.
Why?! t s my book, so why did you send a .etter?!
Th s book .s awesome so wrote a fan letter!
VICTIM C
She borrowed my manga and
?!!
This s about my best friend.
F nally here's a m n Sae
Happiness s d fferent for each person, so you need to find out what makes you happy
That s a l for now, 'll continue this in Volume 3.
If can get some extra pages again (laughs)!
See ya!
"We'll get some!"--Editor
Same with love. Those who confess the r fee ngs win. But you shou dn t just do whatever you want and hurt others
You can, but then you'l become a Sae
The best revenge is to be happier than her
I be eve there s on y one way to beat a Sae-type.
When respond a ways fee bad for the friend
But I guess you can t rea y blame the friend
When t comes to fan letters, those who write them win!
You can't get a response unless you write one
I get a ot of these " borrowed your book from my friend and wrote a etter to you."
I'd rather you buy your own copy!

Lindsey B.

Sumter, SC

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Momo as an Angel

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Toji ♡♡ (Boys are nicer to draw than girls)

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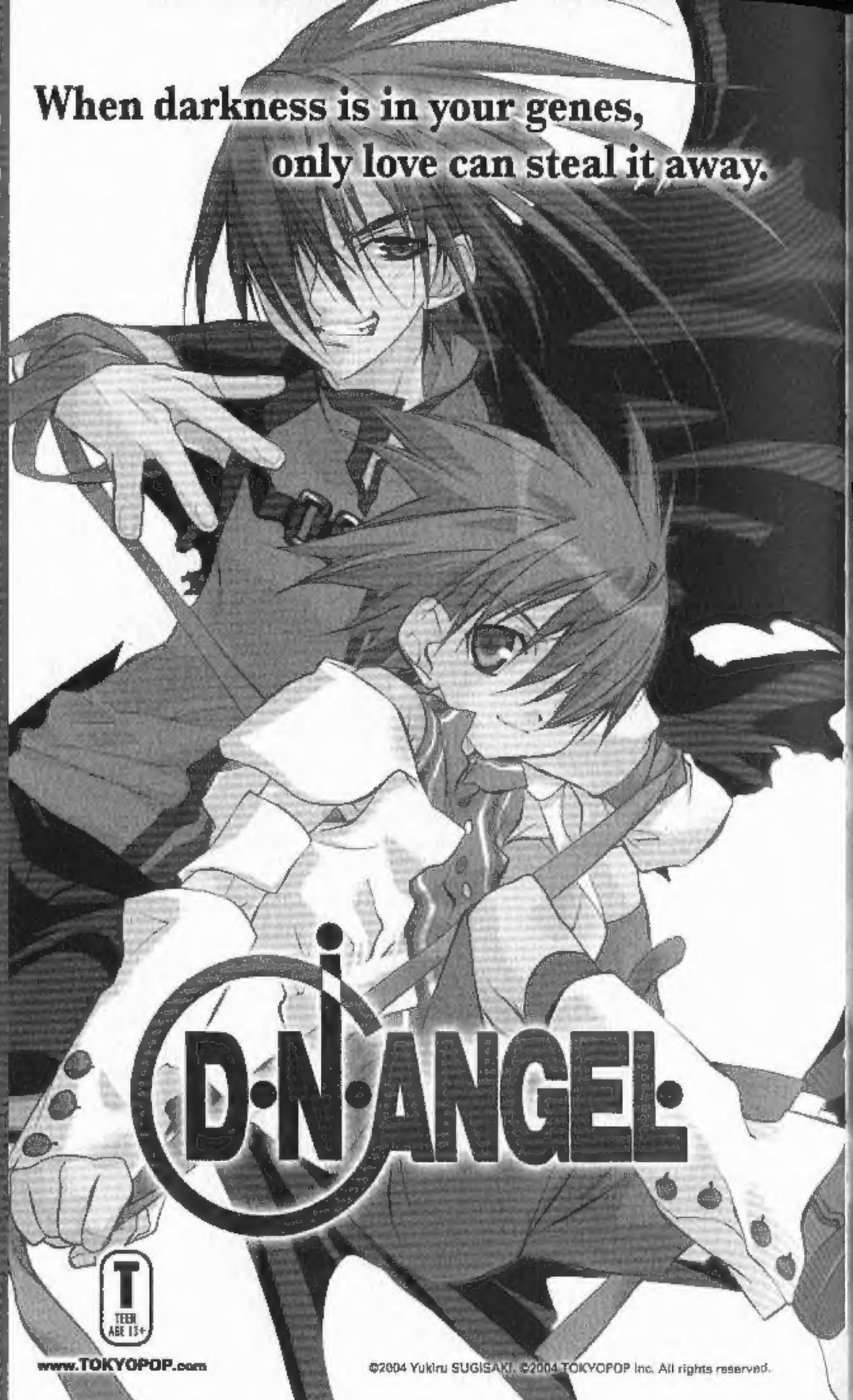

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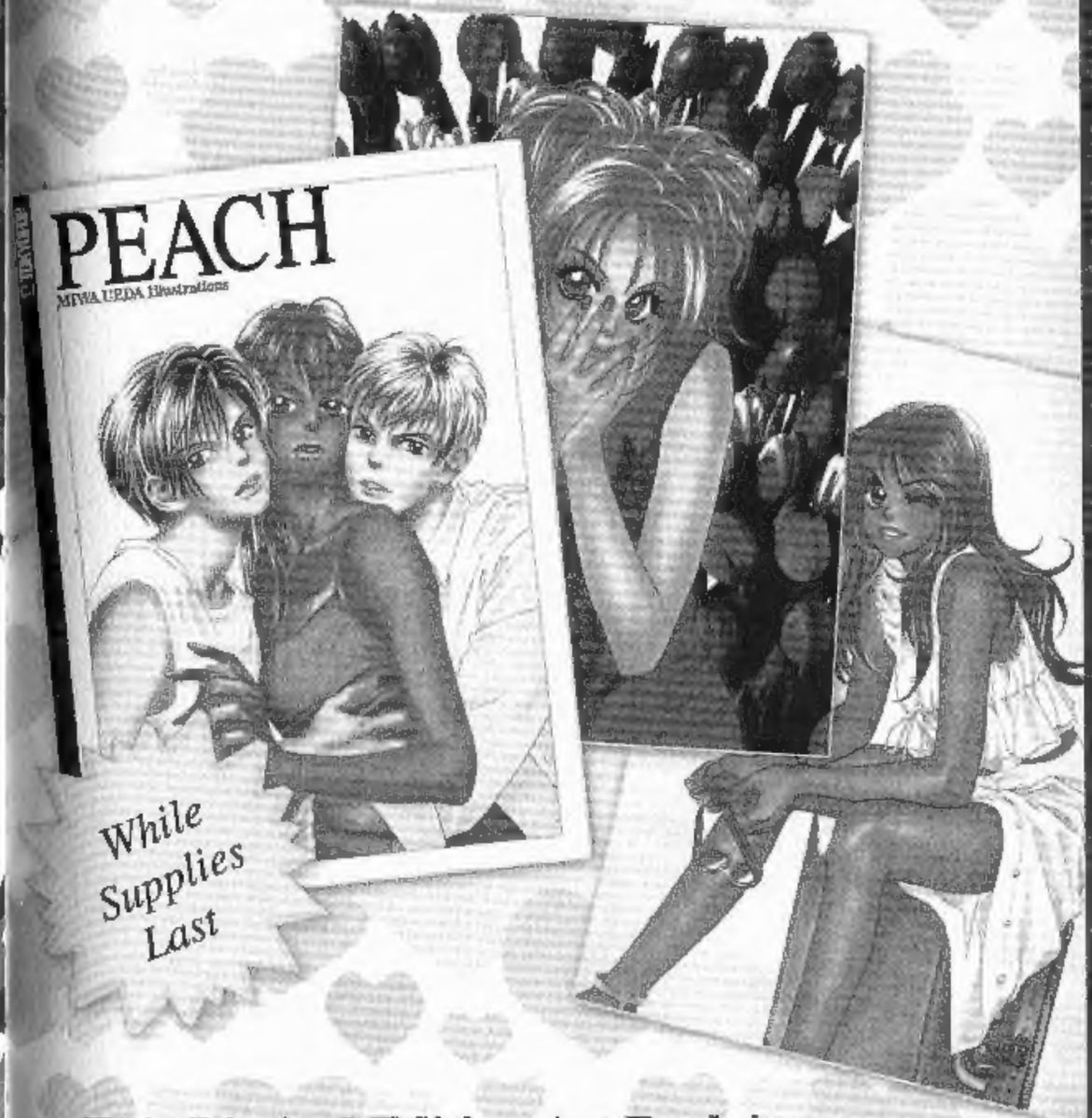

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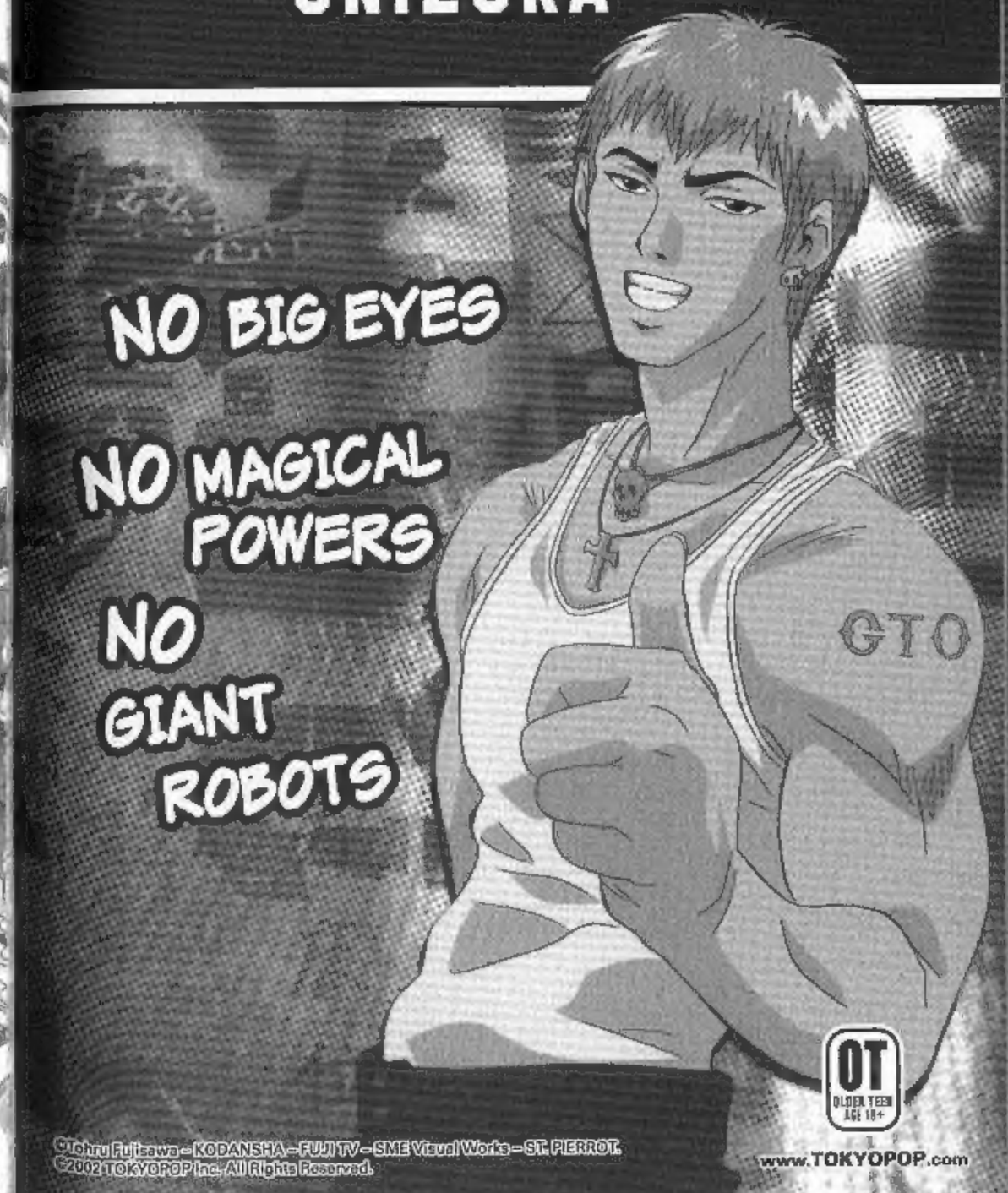

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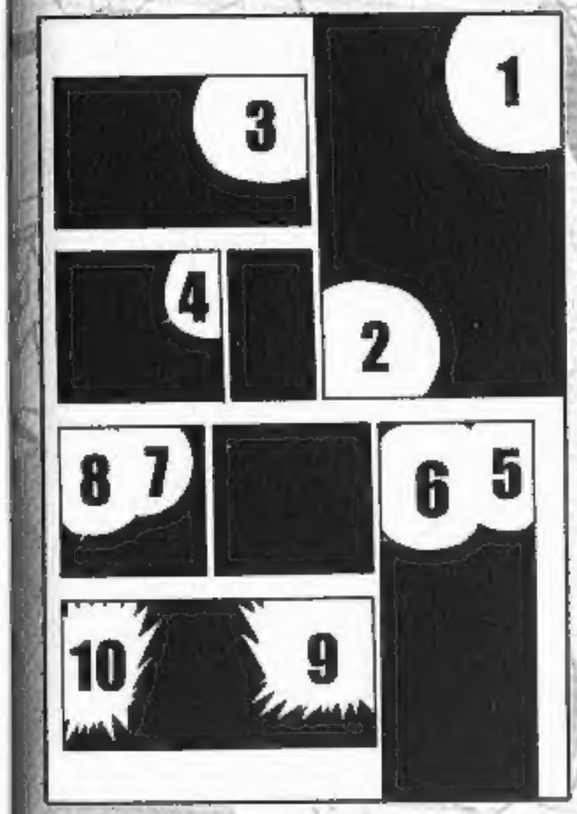

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